

NPIC/R-1424/63

August 1963

PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

I P I R
BRASS KNOB MISSION 3687
9 AUGUST 1963

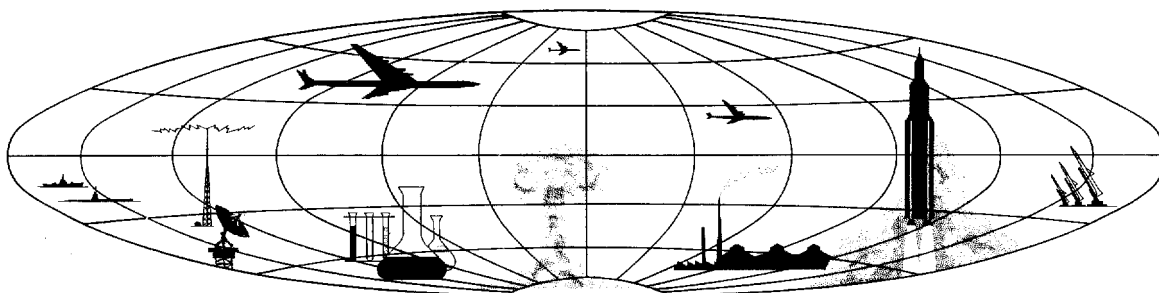


CIA



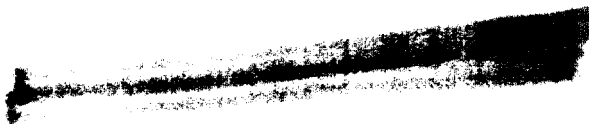
DIA

NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION CENTER



SECRET

GROUP 1
Excluded from automatic
downgrading and declassification



WARNING

This document contains information affecting the national defense of the United States, within the meaning of Title 18, sections 793 and 794, of the U.S. Code, as amended. Its transmission or revelation of its contents to or receipt by an unauthorized person is prohibited by law.

SECRET

NPIC/R-1424/63

NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION CENTER

IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3687, DATED 9 AUGUST 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

--MISSILES--

25X1A

LOS ANGELES SAM SITE 2100N 07541W

FOUR UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 12 PROBABLE TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 12 OTHER VEHICLES, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

25X1A

JIGUANI SAM SITE 2021N 07620W

SIX UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS (2 POSSIBLY WITH MISSILES), 6 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 12 CANVAS-COVERED TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

25X1D

25X1A

ESMERALDA SAM SITE 2155N 07813W

FOUR REVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 7 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE REVETMENT VISIBLE. OBLIQUITY AND SCATTERED CLOUDS PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

SECRET

NPIC/R-1424/63

25X1A

CIFUENTES SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2236N 08005W

AT LEAST 20 MISSILE CANISTERS OBSERVED.
FOLIAGE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

CAMAGUEY AIRFIELD SAM SITE 2122N 07750W

SIX UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 7 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE
TRANSPORTERS, 6 SETS OF BOGIE WHEELS, 8 TRACKED PRIME
MOVERS, 15 CARGO TRUCKS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE
AREA OBSERVED.

25X1D

25X1A

HOLGUIN SAM SITE 2052N 07627W

SIX SEMI-REVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 7 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE
TRANSPORTERS, 6 SETS OF BOGIE WHEELS, APPROXIMATELY
14 CANVAS-COVERED TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 2 VAN OR
CARGO TRAILERS, 5 PROBABLE VAN TRUCKS, 5 CARGO TRUCKS,
AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA WITH RADAR, 4 VANS AND
CANVAS-COVERED EQUIPMENT.

25X1D

-AIRFIELDS-

25X1A

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

AIRCRAFT -- 15 FAGOT/FRESCO, ONE HOUND, AND ONE HARE.

25X1D

25X1A

CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2125N 07751W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE LIAISON OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

SECRET

NPIC/R-1424/63

25X1A

HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

AIRCRAFT -- 8 FAGOT/FRESCO AND ONE LIAISON OBSERVED
IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

LOS CANOS AIRFIELD 2004N 07509W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

25X1D

ANTONIO MACEDO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE HOUND, ONE HARE, AND 5 LIAISON.

25X1D

JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD 2209N 08025W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

25X1D

BAYAMO EAST AIRFIELD 2023N 07638W

AIRCRAFT -- 2 LIAISON.

25X1D

TRINIDAD AIRFIELD 2147N 07959W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

25X1D

-PORTS-

BANES PORT 2055N 07542W

VESSELS -- 2 PROBABLE PT AT PORT AND ONE PT AND ONE
PROBABLE PC OBSERVED AT SEA.

SECRET

NPIC/R-1424/63

25X1D

[REDACTED]

25X1A

CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W

VESSELS -- 4 LARGE VESSELS (2 AT ANCHOR).
OBLIQUITY AND HAZE PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W

ONE LARGE FREIGHTER ANCHORED OFFSHORE.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W

VESSELS -- 5 LARGE FREIGHTERS.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

NUEVITAS PORT 2132N 07716W

VESSELS -- 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS AND ONE LARGE TANKER.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

25X1A

LA ISABELA PORT 2256N 08001W

VESSELS -- 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS (ONE AT SEA,
APPROXIMATELY 5 NM NORTH OF PORT, PROCEEDING EAST).
NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

VESSELS -- ONE PROBABLE PC OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

SECRET

SECRET

NPIC/R-1424/63

25X1D

[REDACTED]

25X1A

CASILDA PORT 2145N 07959W

NO LARGE VESSELS, MILITARY EQUIPMENT, OR ACTIVITY
OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

JUCARO PORT 2137N 07851W

VESSELS -- THREE VESSELS ANCHORED SOUTH OF PORT.
OBLIQUITY LIMITS INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS SINCE
MISSION [REDACTED]

25X1D

25X1D

[REDACTED]

SECRET

NPIC/R-1424/63
25X1A

OFELIA, MILITARY CAMP 2006N 07530W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE MISSION

25X1D

REMEDIOS MILITARY CAMP 2226N 07934W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS SINCE
MISSION

25X1D

SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 2221N 07957W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
FIFTEEN TANKS/SP GUNS OBSERVED.

25X1D

CAMAGUEY MILITARY CAMP 2126N 07753W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
EIGHT CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED.

25X1D

EL CRISTO, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2007N 07546W

SIX CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED.

25X1D

HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY AREA 2051N 07617W

TWENTY LARGE TENTS (NOT OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE)
OBSERVED. NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D

SECRET

NPIC/R-1424/63

25X1A

HOLGUIN MILITARY CAMP NW 2057N 07616W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
TWENTY-ONE TANKS/SP GUNS, 4 PROBABLE FA PIECES, AND
6 CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED.

25X1D

TRINIDAD AREA, POSS MIL HEADQUARTERS 2150N 07953W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
AT LEAST 4 TRUCKS AND 4 FA PIECES OBSERVED.
FOLIAGE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

ALTAGRACIA, MILITARY AREA 2124N 07742W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NINE TANKS/SP GUNS AND ONE OTHER VEHICLE OBSERVED.

25X1D

MINAS, MILITARY CAMP 2127N 07734W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
FOURTEEN CARGO TRUCKS AND 2 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D

-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

LA ROSITA STORAGE DEPOT BARAJAGUA 2208N 08004W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

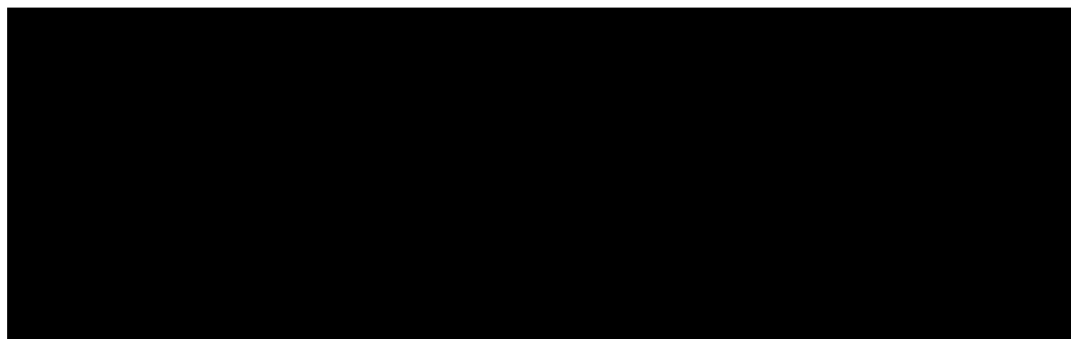
25X1D

7
SECRET

SECRET

NPIC/R-1424/63

25X1D



25X1A

SANTA CLARA MILITARY INSTALLATION CUBANACAN 2224N 07953W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
FIVE CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED.

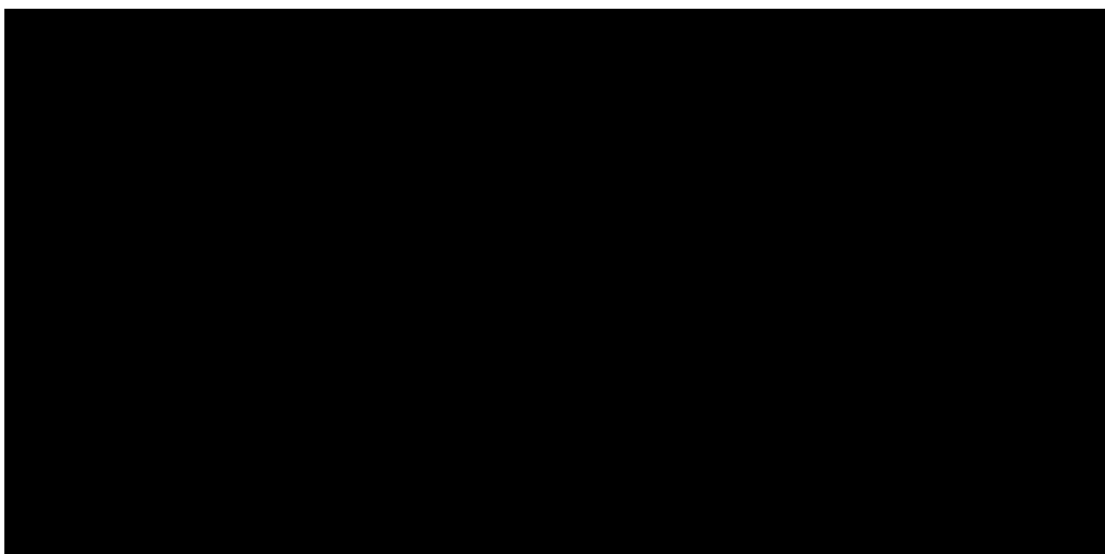
25X1D



MANICARAGUA AREA, EXPLOSIVES STORAGE SITE 2206N 07958W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D



25X1D

8
SECRET

SECRET

25X1D

NPIC/R-1424/63

25X1A



-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO APPARENT CHANGE
SINCE LAST COVERAGE---

25X1A

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1	2243N 08001W
SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2	2239N 07951W
REMEDIOS IRBM SITE	2225N 07935W
SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE	2251N 08005W
CAIBARIEN SAM SITE	2228N 07929W
SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE	1959N 07550W
SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2003N 07553W
MALDONADO SAM SITE	2012N 07528W
PUNTA ALEGRE PORT	2223N 07847W
BARACOA PORT	2021N 07430W
MOA PORT	2039N 07454W
LAS MERCEDES, MILITARY CAMP	2006N 07700W
SANTA CLARA AREA, ARTILLERY TRAINING AREA	2224N 08000W
PERSEVERANCIA MILITARY CAMP	2006N 07533W
TI ARRIBA MILITARY CAMP	2006N 07535W
SIBONEY LANDING BEACH	1957N 07542W
PLAYA YATERITAS LANDING BEACH	1958N 07457W
MAR VERDE LANDING BEACH	1957N 07557W
NICARAO LANDING BEACH	2042N 07533W

25X1D

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT
NOT INTERPRETED ----

25X1A

CIENFUEGOS SAM SITE	2202N 08024W
SANCTI SPIRITUS SAM SITE	2147N 07929W
MANZANILLO SAM SITE	2018N 07706W
MANATI SAM SITE	2113N 07702W
CHAMBAS SAM SITE	2213N 07853W
CIEGO DE AVILA SAM SITE	2142N 07850W
CIEGO DE AVILA, SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2152N 07844W
VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA	2104N 07700W
PRESTON AIRFIELD	2044N 07539W

SECRET

SECRET

25X1D NPIC/R-1424/63
25X1A

25X1D

MANZANILLO AREA, MILITARY CAMP
CAMAGUEY AREA, MILITARY CAMP 1
ALTO CEDRO, MILITARY CAMP

VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS, MILITARY CAMP
MAYARI ARriba, MILITARY INSTALLATION
LA JUTIA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION
ANTON RECIO, MILITARY INSTALLATION
CIENFUEGOS LANDING BEACH
ENSENADA COLORADO LANDING BEACH

2017N 07706W
2121N 07750W
2029N 07559W

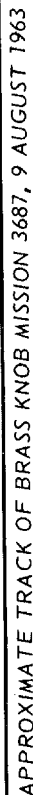
2054N 07655W
2027N 07531W
2155N 08016W
2211N 08036W
2202N 08036W
2202N 08025W

25X1D

25X1D

SECRET

NPIC/R-1424/63



1

SECRET

SECRET

SECRET